Shooting of films by foreigners

†490. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:
SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the rules formulated with regard to making of films by foreigners in India;

(b) whether prior permission for shooting is sought from Central and State Governments;

(c) whether it is a fact that even children are protesting 'Slumdog Millionaire'; and

(d) whether any film on slums in India was made by Indians earlier also and there were protest against it too?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI ANAND SHARMA): (a) This Ministry has formulated guidelines for shooting of foreign feature films in India. The guidelines are available on this Ministry's Website at *www.mib.nic.in.*

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) This Ministry has not received any complaint.

(d) No such information is maintained in this Ministry.

Films on Dr. Hedgevar

†491. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:
SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the film "Swayam Sevak" based on the life of Dr. Hedgevar had been made by the Films Division, Mumbai in August, 2004;

(b) if so, whether Censor Board had also issued certification for its release;

(c) if so, whether this film has ever been screened; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor alongwith the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI ANAND SHARMA): (a) Yes, Sir. Films Division has produced a documentary on the life of Dr. Keshav Baliram Hedgevar under the title "Swayam Sevak" through outside producer in the year 2005.

(b) The Central Board of Film Certification approved the film on 17.08.2005.

(c) and (d) No Sir. This is because this film was made under non-theatrical category and is meant for archival purpose and not for theatrical release.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.